HIGH RYE! Mr. R. A. Totty of Oakville is shown with a sample of improved rye grown on his farm. The rye reached a height of seven feet; quite a rye field! Mr. Totty who has been farming all of his life also raises tobacco and "enough garden for four famlies"!

DANNY HARVEY receives the Sherri McGuire Memorial Award for the most outstanding band member for 1978-79. Mr. Frank Coffey, band director, makes the presentation.

Jimmy Marshall, chairman of the Official Board of Mt. Comfort United Methodist Church, presents an engraved pendant to Mrs. Claudia Moore in appreciation of forty-five years service as church treasurer on Sunday at the Heritage Day Services.

RECOGNITION IS MADE TO Luis Garcia, Danny Harvey, David Coffey and Yolanda Miller for participation in Regional Band.

WILLIS FLESHMAN, DRUM MAJOR, receives trophy for performance and dedication of service.

U.S. Census Bureau Recruiting Temporary Employees in County

The U.S. Census Bureau has a number of temporary jobs open during the new few weeks in Appomattox, Buckingham, Cumberland counties to help prepare address lists for use during the 1980 census.

Temporary census workers usually will work three to four weeks each and will be paid on a per-address collected basis. For an eight-hour day, the average worker will earn $27 to $30 per day plus 17¢-per-mile for any driving done in a private vehicle. Applicants for the jobs must be 18 years old or over, a U.S. citizen, and pass a written test.

The work involves driving or walking to compile lists of addresses of each dwelling unit in designated areas of the county. These address lists will play a vital role in taking the 1980 census. They will be used to produce mailing labels for the census questionnaires to be sent to each household in America on March 28, 1980. Then, a few weeks following the April 1 Census Day, census officials will use the address lists to determine which households have not returned their completed questionnaires. Census takers must then be sent to each non-responding household to collect the information required on the census form.

The 1979 address collection activity in the county is part of a Census Bureau program involving 35,000 temporary workers nationwide to compile lists containing approximately 30 million addresses. Another 50 million addresses have been purchased from commercial mailing list companies.

The Census Bureau is an equal opportunity employer.

County residents interested in applying for the temporary census jobs should contact: U.S. Census Bureau, 2819 Parham Road, Richmond, Va. 23229. Telephone: (804) 782-2607.

REUNION PLANNED

The families of the late William Pascal and Martha Ferguson Inge are having a family reunion at the Pamplin Volunteer Fire House on June 9th. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m.

All relatives and family connections are invited to attend and bring a picnic lunch.

Band Boosters Award Banquet Held

The Appomattox County High School Band Boosters hosted the Annual Awards Banquet for band students and their parents on May 29th at the high school.

Danny Harvey received the Sherri McGuire Memorial Award for the most outstanding band member for 1978-79. Stephanie Ferguson received the Sherri McGuire Memorial Award for the most outstanding color guard member for 1978-79. This award, established from contributions given to the band in memory of Sherri McGuire, will be placed at the high school with these students' names engraved on it.

Willis Fleshman, graduating senior, was given a trophy for his performance and dedication of service as drum major.

Cindy Alderson, the only graduating senior from the instrumental section of the band, was given a service pin for her fifth year of participation in the band.

Special recognition was given to David Coffey, Luis Garcia, Danny Harvey and Yolanda Miller for their participation in the District Regional Band.

Eddie Agee, president of the band, was given a trophy for his contribution and leadership to the basketball pep band.

Certificates and letters and service pins were presented to students in the bands from the elementary, middle, and high schools. All presentations of awards were given by Mr. Frank Coffey, band director.

Youth VBS At New Hope Baptist Church

In Youth Vacation Bible School, we will have a Bible study entitled, "Live the Truth," which is a study of several of Jesus's parables and their meaning for us in our lives today. Another study we will have is "A Look at Non-Christian Religions," which will show us the differences between those religions and our own Christian faith.

Our Youth Department has two classes this year; one class for those in grades 7-10, and another for grades 11-12 and young adults.

Our teachers in the Youth Department will be: Janice and Calvin Smith, Pat Torrence, Carroll Goodrich, Barry Elder, Connie Gobble and Joy Davis.

We invite all youth in grades 7-12 and young adults to join us on June 17-21, 6:30 - 9:15 p.m. each night, at New Hope Baptist Church, Vera, Virginia, for our Youth Vacation Bible School.

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Foreign Language Week

Foreign Language Week Observed May 20-25

During the week of May 20-25,1979, the Foreign Language Department at Appomattox County High School recognized Foreign Language Week.

The Foreign Language Deardment planned many activities for the week.On Sunday the Art Show for Latin, Spanish, and the Art Department was held. On Tuesday, May 22, the annual Foreign Language Tea was held. Other activities included morning announcements, the Foreign Language Newspaper, menus in Latin and Spanish, exhibits, and bulletin boards. To end the activity-filled week, the banquets were held. The Latin Club's banquet was on May 25, and the Spanish Banquet was on May 24. Also, the Spanish Club went to Washington on May 25.

The Foreign Language Department at ACHS feels the week was an exciting and successful one.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS enjoying the Foreign Language Tea.

HOSTS AND HOSTESSES AT THE Foreign Language Tea, shown above left to right, are Cheryl Walton, Laurie McLean, Lisa Moore, Mary Catherine Simpson, Judy Zimmerman, Melinda Davis and Ricky Mitchell.

Spanish Club in Washington

by Mark Paulette

On May 25, 1979, 44 students along with Mrs. McKay and her husband left for Washington, D.C., at 6 a.m. from ACHS. Upon arrival in Washington, the group went to the Organization of American States (OAS). They were guided through the building which housed members of the South and Latin American countries. The OAS has 38 countries including the United States. Many other countries are recognized as associate members. The tour included a walk through the conference room where there were four booths for translators. The languages represented were French, Spanish, Portuguese, and English.

The building was dedicated in 1910 by President William H. Taft. It has plants, art, and sculpture from all the countries. This building proved to be a learning experience for all who attended.

After the tour of the OAS Building, the group went to the Mall where they were able to visit places such as the National Archives, The National Gallery of Art, U.S. Capitol, and the Museum of History and Technology.

The group left the Mall at 3:30 p.m. and stopped near Richmond for supper. Finally, the group arrived at ACHS at 9:30 p.m. This was a wonderful trip for all.

Foreign Language Tea

On Tuesday, May 22, 1979, the Foreign Language Department at Appomattox County High School held its Annual Foreign Language Tea for the teachers and parents in the ACHS auditorium lobby.

The tea was very successful and enjoyed by many. The lobby was decorated with art work done by Latin and Spanish students. Also, students dressed in foreign costumes and served as hosts and hostesses.

Latin III Teachers

On Thursday, May 24, 1979, the Latin III class of Appomattox County High School presented a program on Latin to the third grade class of Sue Williamson at Appomattox Elementary School. Those going were Marie Waldo, Ernie Chenault, Crystal Carter, Judy Zimmerman, and Ricky Mitchell, who are shown above.

The students presented a program of teaching the children the Latin names of animals, showing pictures of ancient Rome and Greece, singing songs in Latin and teaching easy sentences in Latin. Judy Zimmerman dressed up in the traditional toga for the occasion.

Shown above are Art Show Winners. They are, from left to right, Shavonne Johnson, Cheryl Walton, Crystal Carter, Kim Hipps and Judy Zimmerman.

Foreign Language Art Show

As an extra touch to the art and music program, the Foreign Language Department was asked to have students submit entries in the art show. This show was held on May 20, 1979, starting at 1:00. The band and chorus supplied music and songs from 3:00 to 5:00.

For the first time in the history of ACHS the Latin Department entered an Art Show. There were 72 exhibits.

The judges were Mrs. Rousa, and art teacher, and Mrs. Ruth Webb and Mrs. Lucille Ferrell, both of whom are artists.

The first prize went to Kim Hipps, a junior and a first year Latin student, who presented a painting of the Roman gods; second prize winner was Shavonne Johnson, who made a Coat of Arms of Pope John; the third prize went to Cheryl Walton for a mosiac and Crystal Carter for a glass mosiac.

The following students received Honorable Mention: Martha Garrett, Bridget Franklin, Michelle Paulette, Ricky Mitchell, Judy Zimmerman, Benny Harvey, Tommy Williams, Duane Blanks, Steve Garrett, Mary C. Simpson, Nugene Harvey, Ann Hunter, Connie Tolley, Ronnie Abernathy, Pam Robertson, Richard Guill, Dennis Stratton and Debbie Lawson. The prizes for the first was five dollars; second, three and third two dollars to be divided between the two winners.

The judges were very pleased with the art exhibited in the Foreign Language Department.

Peggy Goin and Ricky Moore were in charge of displaying the art, and Debbie Lawson served as the hostess for the show.

Latin Club Visits Nursing Home

By Debbie Lawson

The Latin Club during the month of December visited two nursing homes for their projects. They carried Christmas cards in Latin, which were made by the Latin students. They also carried fruit and magazines. Before leaving, they sang Christmas carols. By sharing, Christmas was more meaningful to all of us.

Rome: A Great Way To Spend Easter Break

By Allen Smith

Ask anyone of us that went to Rome. I'm sure each would say, "I had a great time." On April 13, Jayne Doss, Lorna Goin, Judy Zimmerman, Rita Reynolds, Sharon Roach, Duane Blanks, Allen Smith and Miss O'Brien accompanied by other friends and students from Brookville, Altavista, Rustburg and Amherst, left Dulles Airport for Rome, Italy. The tour included Pompeii, Sorrento, Capri, Blue Grotto, Pisa, Florence and Rome.

Some of the highlights of the places are as follows: In Rome we saw the Forum, which was a place for Olympic games and also there were several temples to mythical gods. The catacombe were also a highlight in Rome. During the 200's and 300's, it was against Roman law for Christians to be buried within the walls of Rome; therefore, tunnels were made underground and the people were buried in graves in the wall. When more spaces were needed, halls were dug underneath the first level. The catacomb system covers about 600 acres in all.

Pompeii was a city that Romans used as a summer resort. It was a very beautiful city, but was destroyed by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in 79 A.D.

Sorrento was a seaport town and was the home of Tiberius. (Tiberius was emperor when Christ was crucified.)

The Isle of Capri is just off the coast of Italy, and we caught the hydrafoil over to it. At Capri we went to see the Blue Grotto. The Blue Grotto was discovered by chance in 1822. It is a cave in the side of a mountain, and to enter it you have to lie down in a row boat because the opening is only about 1 meter from the water's surface. Inside, the sun's rays reflect on the water in such a way that the water is lighted up into a "fairy tale" blue color.

In Pisa, the main attraction was the Leaning Tower of Pisa. This is the tower in which Galileo made his famous experiment.

Florence was the home of many great artists and sculptors. Among them the most well known are Michelangeleo, Raphael, and Leonardo da Vinci. Also in Florence we went to a Disco two nights. They played plenty of loud American music.

Many new friends were made and the trip was a very memorable event in our lives!

The Latin Department would like to express our appreciation to Mrs. Wendy Richardson, the Art Instructor, for allowing us to have a part in her successful show.

Latin Club Banquet

The Latin Club was held Friday, May 25, 1979 in the ACHS CAFETERIA.

During the banquet, new officers were installed. Also, entertainment was provided by Allen Smith, Melinda Smith, Cheryl Valton, John Jimison, and Judy Zimmerman.

The evening was real enjoyable.

Shown above are the old and new officers (top) and installation ceremony (bottom).

The following officers were elected: President, Melinda Davis; Vice-President, Greg Davis; 2nd Vice-President , Beverly Coleman; Secretary, Jill Franklin; Treasurer, Sandra Ferguson; Reporter, John Jimison; Historian, Gloria Ferguson; Chaplin, Lorna Goin; Parliamantarian, Philip Jacobs; and Past President, Judy Zimmerman.

Latin Gong Show

During the October meeting of the Latin Club, a Gong Show was held. Mr. McLean, Mrs. Smith, and Ms. Quesenberry were judges. Members participating and those who attended had a really great time.

The winners were: 1st - Allen Smith, 2nd-Cheryl Walton, 3rd - Catherine Simpson who was accompanied by Debbie Johnson on the piano.

Virginians in Seattle

By: Ricky Mitchell

The United States Association of Blind Athletes - Virginia participated in the Blind Olympics held in Seattle, Washington from March 17-24. The Virginia delegation was by far the best group there. They brought back a total of thirty-four medals and no athlete placed less than sixth in any event.

The areas that the Virginia team participated in were wrestling, swimming, track and field, gymnastics, and goal ball. They also participated in classes of snow skiing, sailing and rowing.

The Virginia contingent enjoyed this year's games very much. They, along with coaches, have high hopes for next year's Olympic games to be held at Western Illinois University in Macomb, Illinois.

Participating from Appomattox were Ricky Mitchell and Jeff Bryant.

Latin Trip to Washington, D.C.

Early Friday morning, April 27, 1979, the Latin Club chaperoned by Miss O'Brien, Mrs. Richardson, and other parents and friends left Appomattox at 6 a.m. on its way to Washington, D.C.

The group arrived in Washington at 10 o'clock and divided into small groups to tour the Mall. Students saw such things as the Ford Theatre, the National Gallery of Art, The National Archieves Building, The Smithsonian, The National Air and Space Museum, and The Botanical Gardens. Also the group went to the Capitol. While at the Capitol, the group toured the Senate Headquarters and met our U.S. Senator, John Warner.

The last stop the group made was the Arlington Cemetery before heading for home.

Traveling in Mexico

by Carroll Kanipe

Traveling through Mexico is a thrilling experience to the first time traveler as well as the yearly visitor. The large variety of scenery and clinate, as well as the unusual forms of plant and animal life, is always exciting. Fascinating scenes of agricultural aurban, and domestic life can be encounted in the many villages and cities. In the open country you can see Indians dressed just as they were before the Spanish conquest of the country. The poor people's huts are made to look more attractive by flowers and bird cages. Extremely large cacti lurk in unpredictable places. Mexicans love to sing and music often reaches one's ear. Mexico is a country of many wonders. I should know, I've been there. It is well worth the trip!

Why a Foreign Language?

by David Cladwell

Have you ever been engrossed in a Harlequin Romance only to come across 'n ast-ce pas and wonder if you're missing some key phase? Or watch the 11:00 news special report to hear a riot chant that sounds like "I Muerte a Santa Ana!"? Is that good or bad? Frequently, Virginians run across 'Sic Semper Tyrannis', their flag's inscription. Why so many foreign words in our homeland?

Latin, although considered a dead language, is very much a part of our English language. Many words have Latin roots and prefixes that give spacial meanings to our vocabulary. Taking Latin can affect our performance in the English class by giving a person the knowledge of word structure, a main objective to the Latin student.

Many Spanish words have popped up in the English language these last 100 years. Being a bordering country, Mexico's customs and traditions influence our daily life. Second only to English, Spanish is a world-wide experience that seems to grow and prosper every year. The second language of the United States, Spanish is entirely different from our native tongue. Besides teaching Spanish many jobs are also available in this field. International businesses hire interpreters for their overseas communications offices.

Where can you learn these abilities that have been mentioned? Most high school curriculums involve many foreign languages. At ACHS, Latin and Spanish classes are offered. Open that door and step into a land of opportunity.

Add some knowledge that may very well give you insight others lack. Regardless of the language, why let its meaning escape us? Take a foreign language and learn - it's fun !!

Foreign Language Week

Ferrum College served as host for the Foreign Language Festival on March 21, 1979. Ms. Marcella McKay took a group of thirty students to attend the festival.

Areas of competition included recitations in Spanish, Latin, and French, foreign song, dance and dress, and posters and crafts.

Competing from Appomattox were Willis Fleshman and Stephanie Ferguson - 1st place in Dance Competition; Ellen Lyons - 1st in Poster Competition; Dean Page - 1st in Song competition; and Diane Franklin - 2nd in Poster Competition.

Appomattox Spanish students had an extremely fine showing in the festival and congratulations are extended.

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